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No. 12, 210. 號百二千二萬第 日三十二月二年三十二緒光 HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 25th, 1897. 四拜禮 號五十二月三年七十九百八千零英港香

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.
A MEETING of the COMMITTEE appointed by His Excellency the GOVERNOR to make arrangements for celebrating the completion of the 90th Year of the Reign of Her Majesty the QUEEN, it was decided, in addition to arranging for other Celebrations to endeavour to mark the auspicious occasion in Hongkong by establishing a PERMANENT MONUMENT, and to invite the Public to suggest what form such Memorial should take.
Any Member of the Community who may have any suggestion or offer is requested to forward it in writing to the Undersecretary or before WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant, to J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. [258]

OLIVER'S FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.
An issue of B shares at par is offered to the holders of the Shares of the above Company in the proportion of Seven shares for every fifty shares they hold. Every Shareholder on the Register on Wednesday, the 7th day of April next, will be entitled to an allotment of Seven B shares for every fifty shares of A or B registered in his name. All applications must be made on forms for the purpose, which may be obtained at the Office of the Company on or after the 7th day of April next, and must be filled up and lodged with the Company on or before WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of April next, together with a sum of Two Dollars and fifty cents for every share applied for as a first instalment. A receipt will be given which must be forwarded to the Company in exchange for Scrip.
The SHARE REGISTER will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 7th April, to WEDNESDAY, the 14th April next, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
38-40, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. [785]

IN THE MATTER OF THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, Nos. 16 or 1673 and 20 of 1886.
AND
IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY THE AMERICAN CIGARETTE COMPANY, LIMITED, FOR A TRADE MARK.
NOTICE is hereby given that THE AMERICAN CIGARETTE COMPANY, LIMITED, of No. 56, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, have this day applied to His Excellency the Governor, under the provisions of Ordinance Nos. 16 of 1873 and 20 of 1886, for leave to register their TRADE MARK in the Register of Trade Marks in the name of the said Company.
The said TRADE MARK is intended to be used in respect of CIGARETTES.
A facsimile of the said TRADE MARK may be seen at the Colonial Secretary's Office on application.
Dated this 23rd day of March, 1897.
Solicitor for the said Company.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AT THE PEAK.
THE Undersigned has received instructions from A. COOPER, Esq., to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION
ON
MONDAY, the 29th March, at 2.30 P.M., at his residence, SPRINGWAY HILL, PEAK, THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c.
Comprising—
CRETONNE COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE.
Handsomely Carved OLD BLACKWOOD TABLES, CHAIRS, and STOOLS.
MIRRORS, GASALIBES, and GAS BRACKETS.
A few OLD CHINA and CURIOS.
CHEFFONIER, CABINET, and HEARTH RUGS.
EXTENSION DINING TABLE, ENGLISH-MADE SIDEBOARD and DINING WAGGONS, ENGLISH-MADE MOROCCO-COVERED DINING ROOM CHAIRS.
CLOCKERY, GLASS, and PLATED WARE.
PANTRY REQUISITES.
BRASS REDSTEAD, BRASS MOUNTED IRON BEDSTEAD, DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDROOMS, WARDROBES with Glass Doors, DRESSING TABLE and MARBLE-TOP WASH-STAND.
SHANGHAI BATH TUBS and BATH ROOM FURNITURE.
BOOKCASE and WRITING TABLE.
One MILLER'S IRON SAFE and STAND.
One COOKING RANGE.
Two HEAVY STOVE.
PLANTS in POTS and STANDS.
&c., &c.
Catalogue will be issued.
Terms of Sale—As Customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. [764]

CATHAY CHAPTER, No. 165.
A REGULAR CONVOCACTION of CATHAY CHAPTER will be held at the Freemasons' Hall, on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. [763]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW.
THE Company's Steamship
"NAMO." Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Port TO-DAY, the 25th instant, at Noon, and not as previously notified.
For Freight and further particulars, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPELLE & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. [759]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.
THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in Southern Africa, in connection with LINDA CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for Cape Town every fortnight. During the season the following DIRECT STEAMERS will load, commencing at FOCHOW, viz.:
Poreola, 15th June and 1st Oct.
Coronella, 25th July and 5th Dec.
For freight and further particulars, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1897. [631]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.
The Hongkong Laughing Season now in full swing.
Hilarity Precipitated Indiscriminately EVERY EVENING at 7 P.M.
By the SOCIETY ENTERTAINERS.
TO-NIGHT, HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY.
TO-NIGHT, CHINA'S CONGRESS OF ENTERTAINERS.
It would be easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for any Company in our own unique style to equal this great organisation of ability.
THEY HAVE NO RIVALS.
Just as the mighty ocean rolls in endless perpetuity, so do the Hudsons uninterceptedly maintain their grand pre-eminence.
THIS IS THE VOICE AND VERDICT OF THE PUBLIC.
THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING, MARCH 25th, 1897, ANOTHER ENTIRE CHANGE. EVERYTHING NEW.
Read a few of the Items:
"THE RIVAL TELEPHONES."
Miss MAY H. GOOD, the Brilliant Solo Pianist, will play
(a) "Cascade" (Piano).
(b) "Dance Nocturne" (Ascher).
Mr. WALLACE KING will sing "Plymouth."
HUDSON'S Grottoes Entertainers.
Miss VIOLET ELLIOTT will sing "The Divorcer."
Miss LILLIAN STANBRIDGE will sing "The Lady."
LILLIAN LINCOLN's Lightning Wing Dances.
Miss JESSIE WILLIAMS' Terpsichorean Contortion Specialty.
Messrs. MCKINSON and KEARNS in their Original Irish Grottoes.
The GOURLAYS in their Original and Humorous Impersonations.
Miss LIDA ROSSLYN, in her album of songs.
ALTRIO in his Smart Equilibrism Performance.
The THORNTON SISTERS in their Grottoes Terpsichorean Skit Serail.
The evening's entertainment terminating with the Grottoes' Musical Comedy.
"THE CRUSHED TRAGEDIAN," &c., &c.
PRICES—\$2 & 1. Special Reserved Seats \$3. Box seats \$5. Box seats \$5. Box seats \$5.
Doors Open at 8.30.
THOS. P. HUDSON. [766]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAIRAN." Captain Rouch, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 26th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPELLE & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1897. [767]

FOR SINGAPORE, HAYRE, AND HAMBURG.
(Calling at Naples for India, Passengers if desired, will be despatched for SINGAPORE, HAYRE, and HAMBURG, on SATURDAY, the 27th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPELLE & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1897. [767]

FOR CELEB.
Captain Ponce, will be despatched for the above port on SATURDAY, the 3rd April, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. [762]

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"MACDUFF." Captain Thomson, will be despatched for the above port on TUESDAY, the 6th April, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. [762]

FOR THE MAIL.
THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS is now ready and contains—
Leading Articles.
Li Hung-chang and the Russo-Chinese Convention.
Macao and the Opening of the West River.
Decline in the Purchasing Power of Silver in the Far East.
The Best Education for Chinese.
The Export of Rice from Kwangtung.
Education for Yunnan and Szechuan.
The Diamond Jubilee Committee.
The Opening of the West River.
Supreme Court.
Stranding of the Strathallan.
The Murder in a Boarding-house.
The Light House Question.
The Shanghai Chamber of Commerce and the Hongkong Light Dues.
Shipbuilding in Hongkong.
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited.
Straits Settlements Co., Limited.
China and Manila Steamship Co., Limited.
Green Island Cement Co., Limited.
Subscription \$2 per Annum payable in advance, postage \$2.
Extra copies 30 cents each.
Copies can be ordered from the Office at addresses sent; including postage 34 cents each, or \$1 for those copies sent.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1897.

JUST LANDED.
VINOLIA OTTO SOAP.
VINOLIA MEDICAL SOAP.
VINOLIA PREMIER SOAP.
VINOLIA SHAVING CAKES.
VINOLIA CREAM.
VINOLIA POWDER.
H. TIE, 16, D'Aguiar Street, Hongkong, 18th March, 1897. [597]

INTIMATIONS.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY (LIMITED).
SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.
FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LTD., LONDON.
Pioneers of the Asbestos Trade.
Contractors to H.M. Government, and the Principal English, Indian, Colonial, and Foreign Railways, including the Imperial Railways of Japan.
MANUFACTURERS OF THE BEST QUALITY OF ASBESTOS AND RUBBER GOODS for the Very Highest Pressures. Cheaper Qualities for Low Pressures.
The "VICTOR" METALLIC PACKING has been adopted by the Admiralty for use throughout Her Majesty's Navy.
The "VICTOR" METALLIC JOINTING MATERIALS for Steam and Hydraulic Joints, Manhole and Madhole Doors, &c., are also used on every Battleship, Cruiser, Torpedo Boat, and Transport in H.M. Service.
"SALAMANDER" Non-conducting Compound for Boilers, Hot-water Tanks, Pipes, &c., IN TWO QUALITIES.
SPECIAL QUOTATIONS FOR QUANTITIES.
Superintendent: THOS. SKINNER.
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

MALT EXTRACT.
DYSPEPSIA CURED BY THE WORLD'S SCHLITZ BEER.
SCHLITZ BEER REFRESHES.
Professional Office-man suffering work, loss Energy, Sleep, Elasticity, Malt food, MALT EXTRACT is the best food for the system.
WATKINS & CO., Sole Agents.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
JUST IN RECEIPT OF A NEW LOT OF
ITALIAN WINES.
From R. GANCIA & CO.
Per doz. Per 2 doz. Per bottle.
CHATEAU RICARDONI, 1st quality, \$16.50, 1.50, 1.50.
CASTELLO RICARDONI, 2nd quality, 15.00, 1.50, 1.50.
BAROLO CAVOUR, 3rd quality, 14.00, 1.50, 1.50.
LACRIMA CRISTO, 4th quality, 13.00, 1.50, 1.50.
CAPELLI, 5th quality, 12.00, 1.50, 1.50.
CAPELLI, 6th quality, 11.00, 1.50, 1.50.
The above are of excellent flavor and well worth a trial. [125]

CUTLER, PALMER & CO.

Have been Shippers to China for nearly 75 years. Their Brands are favorably known all over the World.

AI QUALITY COGNAC.
Distinguished by 4 Stars on the label. Price \$19.00 per 1 dozen bottles.
SUPERIOR OLD COGNAC.
Distinguished by 3 Stars on the label. Price \$17.75 per 1 dozen bottles.
VERY GOOD COGNAC.
Somewhat younger than the above. Distinguished by 2 Stars on the label. Price \$14.00 per 1 dozen bottles.
"PALL MALL" WHISKY.
Eleven years old, very fine quality. Each bottle bears an analyst's certificate. The quality is guaranteed. Price \$16.75 per 1 dozen bottles.
Well-matured HIGHLAND MALT WHISKY.
Blended by CUTLER, PALMER & CO. Moderate in price, excellent in quality. Price \$14.00 per 1 dozen bottles.
C. P. & CO.'S OWN SPECIAL BLEND SCOTCH WHISKY.
In Patented Bottles. Price \$9.00 per 1 dozen bottles.
GLENLIVER BLEND, SCOTCH WHISKY.
Moderately priced, good quality. Price \$8.00 per 1 dozen bottles.
INVALIDS' CHAMPAGNE.
A Natural, a Brut, Sparkling Wine, of the Vintage 1883, particularly suitable to the debilitated. The price is but \$25.00 per one doz. quart bottles.

INVALIDS' PORT.
This Wine is old, soft, and delicate. We strongly recommend it. Analyzed and Certified by Professor Cassall. Price \$16.75 per 1 dozen bottles.
DOURO PORT.
This is a fine quality Wine of exceptionally good vintage. Price \$12.00 per 1 dozen bottles.
SHERRIES.
The Earl Miss's Shipping. Price \$16.75 per 1 dozen bottles.
CLARETS.
In Quarts and Pints. CHATEAU MOUTON. For a good after dinner Wine we recommend this. Price \$26.75 per 1 dozen bottles.
LAROSE.
This is a very attractive Claret, of good vintage. Price \$16.75 per 1 dozen bottles.
MARGAUX-MEDOC.
A breakfast Claret. Price \$9.75 per 1 dozen bottles.
LIQUEUR.
BENEDICTINE, D.O.M. Price \$35.50 per 1 dozen bottles.

Agents—SIEMSEN & Co., Hongkong. [37]

"HORSE HEAD" BRAND.

BASS'S PALE ALE. Guaranteed to be the BEST QUALITY.
GUINNESS'S STOUT. Brewed.
BOTTLED IN LONDON.
The Bottles bear Bass & Co.'s and Arth. Guinness, Sons, & Co.'s Labels, respectively.
ESTD. 1864.
Telephone No. 16.
15, Queen's Road.
SOLE AGENTS.
Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., [a27]

BROMO Seltzer.

First introduced into Hongkong by FLETCHER & Co.
Have just opened a new Consignment of this famous Headache Cure.
Also an assortment of
SPRAT PRODUCERS, CACHOUS, EARLY SUGAR, LIME FRUIT TABLETS, CHOCOLATE CREAMS.
Sole Agent for the popular TANSAN MINERAL WATER.
FLETCHER & CO.,
THE PHARMACY, 23, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, and CARMICHAEL & CO., LD.

COTTAM & CO.

GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS, HATTERS, ROBEES, &c.
NEW GOODS.
By Every INCOMING MAIL.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

DAKIN'S ANISED AND LICORICE COUGH BALSAM.
For the relief of all CATARRHAL COMPLAINTS, such as COUGHS, COLDS, HOARSENESS, and SORENESS of the THROAT.
Price 50 Cents and \$1.
VICTORIA DISPENSARY, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1897. [a28]

INTIMATIONS.

THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.
AFFORDS the advantages of Assurance in a large British Company with a world-wide Reputation.
The Funded Eight Millions Sterling.
For full particulars and rates, Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1895. [2-1539 37]

CLARET.
CALIFORNIA, ZINFANDEL, VIN ORDINAIRE, MEDOC, ST. EMILION, MARGAUX, ST. JULIEN, ST. ESTEPHE, CH. LEOVILLE.
HONG-KONG, YUEN-WAY, HONG-KONG, YUEN-WAY.
TRADE MARK.
HONG-KONG, YUEN-WAY, HONG-KONG, YUEN-WAY.
Telephone No. 133.

THE CHINA ASSOCIATION, HONGKONG BRANCH.
NOTICE.
A MEETING of MEMBERS will be held at the Rooms of the Association, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THIS DAY (THURSDAY), 25th instant, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the past year and electing a Committee.
F. HENDERSON, Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1897. [724]

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, HANDSOME CARPETS, FINE COTTAGE PIANO, &c.
THE Undersigned has received instructions from J. T. HAMMERTON, Esq., to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION (THURSDAY), the 25th March, 1897, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at No. 45, WYNDHAM STREET, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c.
MARINBURK MANUFACTURE, Comprising—
HALL FURNITURE, DRAWING ROOM SUITE in Old Gold Silk Tapestry and Plush, BEVELLED OVERMANTLES, STAIRS, COATS, MARBLED AND PATTERNED FANCY TABLES and PANCY UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS and CUSHIONS, very Handsome ENGRAVED CARPETS, CARPETS, BRONZES, CHINA, STONE, MARBLED and PATTERNED LAMP, PLAQUES, TAPESTRY, CHERNILLE and LACE CURTAINS, CARPETS, RUGS, HAIR CARPETTING, OIL-CLOTH, &c., &c.
One CORNER CASE by BAKER (Hamburg), Quite New and in Fine Condition.
TEAK SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, CHIFFONIER, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, LEATHER COVERED DINING ROOM SUITE, HAND PAINTED FRENCH PORCELAIN DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO-PLATE and GLASSWARE, CUTLERY, PAINTING REQUISITES, &c., &c.
Finely Carved TEAK DOUBLE BEDSTEAD with SPRING and HAIR MATTRESSES, etc., MARBLED TOP WASH-STAND, COATS, MARBLED BUREAU with BEVELLED GLASS, DRESSING TABLE with Swinging GLASS LADIES' DESK with BOOKCASE, BOX COUCH covered with Plush, WARDROBES with Bevelled Glass and Plush, &c., &c.
SUNDARY OTHER ARTICLES—
AMERICAN COOKING STOVE and COOKING UTENSILS, LADIES' IRON and LADIES' CARRIAGE CHAIRS.
Catalogue will be issued previous to the Sale. On View from WEDNESDAY, the 24th March. TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.
GEO. F. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1897. [716]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the MORTGAGEE to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION (THURSDAY), the 25th March, 1897, at 3 P.M. on the Premises, All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situated in Victoria, Hongkong, registered in the Land Office as SECTION 20 INLAND LOT No. 270 now held from the Crown for the residue of a term of 999 years from the 25th June, 1851, with the Messuage and Premises thereon, being No. 101, Queen's Road East, subject to the annual Crown rent of \$19.00. The Property will be sold with immediate possession.
For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to
Messrs. DEACON & HASTINGS, 35, Queen's Road, Hongkong, Vendor's Solicitors, or to
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
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PUBLIC AUCTION.
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The Wharf is 194 feet long by 40 feet wide. The piles, walings, and braces are of Arango wood, the beams and joists are of Manila and Singapore hard wood, and the planking of Oregon.
The Purchasers shall take up and remove from off Crown Land the whole of the Old Materials within three months from the date of Sale, failing which the Materials still on the ground at the expiration of that time shall be forfeited to the Government.
ONE GIG.
The Gig is 23 feet long, framed in steel, planked in Oregon planks, with a strong iron Brass Bowline, Iron Oars, Tack Gratings, and Rudders with Brass Tiller, nearly new, and six sets of Boatmen's Clothes.
Two Old Grab Baskets from Dredger, Oil Iron Hoops, Bells, &c., &c.
Old Drilling Gear, consisting of Drilling Dresses, Boats, Inside Clothing, and Air Pipes.
Terms of Sale—Cash.
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INTIMATIONS.

NAPIER JOHNSTONE'S SQUARE BOTTLE WHISKY.
The sale of this good Scotch Whisky is monthly, it is of Superb Quality and of purest Scotch Whisky, and is the only one of its kind in the Colony.
Sole Agents for it—
LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Hongkong.

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THE CHINA ASSOCIATION, HONGKONG BRANCH.
NOTICE.
A MEETING of MEMBERS will be held at the Rooms of the Association, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THIS DAY (THURSDAY), 25th instant, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the past year and electing a Committee.
F. HENDERSON, Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1897. [724]

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, HANDSOME CARPETS, FINE COTTAGE PIANO, &c.
THE Undersigned has received instructions from J. T. HAMMERTON, Esq., to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION (THURSDAY), the 25th March, 1897, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at No. 45, WYNDHAM STREET, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c.
MARINBURK MANUFACTURE, Comprising—
HALL FURNITURE, DRAWING ROOM SUITE in Old Gold Silk Tapestry and Plush, BEVELLED OVERMANTLES, STAIRS, COATS, MARBLED AND PATTERNED FANCY TABLES and PANCY UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS and CUSHIONS, very Handsome ENGRAVED CARPETS, CARPETS, BRONZES, CHINA, STONE, MARBLED and PATTERNED LAMP, PLAQUES, TAPESTRY, CHERNILLE and LACE CURTAINS, CARPETS, RUGS, HAIR CARPETTING, OIL-CLOTH, &c., &c.
One CORNER CASE by BAKER (Hamburg), Quite New and in Fine Condition.
TEAK SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, CHIFFONIER, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, LEATHER COVERED DINING ROOM SUITE, HAND PAINTED FRENCH PORCELAIN DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO-PLATE and GLASSWARE, CUTLERY, PAINTING REQUISITES, &c., &c.
Finely Carved TEAK DOUBLE BEDSTEAD with SPRING and HAIR MATTRESSES, etc., MARBLED TOP WASH-STAND, COATS, MARBLED BUREAU with BEVELLED GLASS, DRESSING TABLE with Swinging GLASS LADIES' DESK with BOOKCASE, BOX COUCH covered with Plush, WARDROBES with Bevelled Glass and Plush, &c., &c.
SUNDARY OTHER ARTICLES—
AMERICAN COOKING STOVE and COOKING UTENSILS, LADIES' IRON and LADIES' CARRIAGE CHAIRS.
Catalogue will be issued previous to the Sale. On View from WEDNESDAY, the 24th March. TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.
GEO. F. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1897. [716]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the MORTGAGEE to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION (THURSDAY), the 25th March, 1897, at 3 P.M. on the Premises, All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situated in Victoria, Hongkong, registered in the Land Office as SECTION 20 INLAND LOT No. 270 now held from the Crown for the residue of a term of 999 years from the 25th June, 1851, with the Messuage and Premises thereon, being No. 101, Queen's Road East, subject to the annual Crown rent of \$19.00. The Property will be sold with immediate possession.
For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to
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THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Hon. E. A. COOPER, Director of Public Works, to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION (FRIDAY), the 26th March, 1897, at Noon, at the Old Pedder's Wharf, The whole of the Piles, Framing, Planking, Iron Works, &c., in ONE LOT, as it now stands.
The Wharf is 194 feet long by 40 feet wide. The piles, walings, and braces are of Arango wood, the beams and joists are of Manila and Singapore hard wood, and the planking of Oregon.
The Purchasers shall take up and remove from off Crown Land the whole of the Old Materials within three months from the date of Sale, failing which the Materials still on the ground at the expiration of that time shall be forfeited to the Government.
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VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
The M. M. steamer *Yangtze*, with the French mail of the 20th inst., left Singapore on the 20th inst., at 2 p.m., and may be expected to arrive at Hongkong on the 23rd inst. instant. This Paclot brings proposals to letter despatched from Hongkong on the 20th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The F. M. steamer *China*, with the American mail of the 19th inst., left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 2nd April.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Chooka*, from Australia, left Thursday Island on the 19th inst. at daylight, and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst.

The E. & A. steamer *Australian*, from

instant for this port.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Cholydra*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 19th instant, at noon.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

left Yokohama on the 18th instant for this port via usual ports of call.

The Chinese steamer *Kinkoh*, from Glasgow, Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the 22nd instant noon, and may be expected here on or about the 28th instant.

The N. G. L. steamer *Bicknell* left Singapore on the 22nd instant, and may be expected here on or about the 29th instant.

The Rickmers' steamer *Ellen Rickmers* from Middlebro', Antwerp, and Hamburg left Singapore on the 24th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 28th instant.

The Rickmers' steamer *Benary*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 15th instant for this port.

The steamer *Asaka*, from New York left Singapore for Hongkong on Wednesday, the 17th instant, and may be expected here to-day.

The steamer *Chittagong*, from Aqbadah, &c., left Yokohama on the 17th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

The D. D. R. steamer *Hertha*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 18th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

The O. R. & N. Pacific steamer *Mosul*, from Lebanon left Portland, O., on the 7th instant.

The "Rickmers" steamer *Elisabeth Rickmers*, from Middleboro, Antwerp, and Haamburg, may be expected here on the 13th instant, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 2nd April.

The C. M. steamer *Kaisow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 15th instant, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 3rd April.

PASSING THE CANAL.

OUTWARD. 22nd April. 1891. M. 89.

February—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 March—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 April—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 May—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 June—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 July—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 August—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 September—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 October—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 November—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.
 December—*Aming, Kailan, Sophie, Kien*.

HOMEWARD—16th March—*Santa, 19th March*.
 —*Myndon, Prizm, Fort Adelaide, Thys*.

POST-OFFICE. NOTICES.

The Postal Guide for 1896, revised to date will be found in the *Chronicle and Directory*. This is the only authority on the subject. Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

PAK DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Letter Boxes and Cars by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

The authorized List of Mails sent in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Peacock—*10.30 Kien*, to date, the 25th instant, at 10.30 A.M.

For Singapore and Bangkok.—*Per Macheu*.

For Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per *Melchior*, to-day, the 25th inst., at 5.00 p. m.

For Hobson and Pakhoi.—Per *Trumpet*, to-day, the 25th inst., at 5.00 p. m.

To Saigon, Hongkong and Swatow.—Per *Haitan*, to-day, the 25th inst., at 5.00 p. m.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Verona*, to-morrow, the 26th inst., at 11.50 a. m.

For Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per *Tokio Maru*, to-morrow, the 26th inst., at 3.30 p. m.

For Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Portland, Oregon.—Per *Chitigno*, on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 11.30 a. m.

For Singapore.—Per *Irene*, on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 11.30 a. m.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.
The British Contract Packet *Kaiser-i-Hind* will be despatched on **THURSDAY**, the 25th instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and Australia, via the Red Sea.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.
LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.15 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.) at the rate of 10 pence per letter.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.
The German Contract Packet, *Sachsen*, will be despatched on **TUESDAY**, the 30th instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom

to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo,
Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.
Registry ceases at 7.30 A.M.
The mail closes at 8.00 A.M.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.
The French Contract Packet *Melbourne* will
be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 31st

Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseille*
to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Bu-
mah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies,
Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and
Gibraltar.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Cir-
culars ceases.

10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.

**MAILS BY THE CANADIAN
PACKET**

The Canadian Mail Packet Empress of China will be despatched on WEDNESDAY the 7th April, with Mails for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., which will be closed as follows:—
10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
10.45 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.
Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in the port of Callao.

HONGKONG HARBOUR—
BOYNTON, Brit. str., Irving—Dodwell, Carl
& Co.
HENRY FRUIT, Amer. ship, Merriman
Order.
KAMBIRA, Brit. ship, J. J. Brownell—Masta
MARIA RICKMERS, Ger. str., Berg—Arnhold
Karberg & Co.
MANNING, Brit. str., J. J. Brownell—Masta

Livingston & Co.

